

3. Let $f(x, y) = 2xy^2$ and let p be the point $p = (1, 3)$. Find the directional derivative of f at the point p in the direction of $\vec{v} = 2\vec{i} + 5\vec{j}$.

$$D_{\vec{v}} f|_p = \nabla f|_p \cdot \vec{u} \quad \text{when } \vec{u} \text{ is a unit vector}$$

$$D_{\vec{v}} f|_p = \nabla f|_p \cdot \frac{\vec{v}}{\|\vec{v}\|} = (2y^2\vec{i} + 4xy\vec{j})|_p \cdot \frac{(2\vec{i} + 5\vec{j})}{\sqrt{29}} = (18\vec{i} + 12\vec{j}) \cdot \frac{(2\vec{i} + 5\vec{j})}{\sqrt{29}}$$

$$= \frac{36 + 60}{\sqrt{29}}$$

$$\frac{96}{\sqrt{29}}$$

4. Identify all local extremepoints and all saddle points of $f(x, y) = 2x^4 - x^2 + 3y^2$.

$$f_x = 8x^3 - 2x$$

$$f_{xx} = 24x^2 - 2$$

$$f_y = 6y$$

$$f_{xy} = 0$$

$$f_x \text{ and } f_y = 0 \text{ when}$$

$$f_{yy} = 6$$

$$y = 0 \text{ and } 2x(4x^2 - 1) = 0$$

$$8x^3 - 2x$$

$$\text{so } y = 0 \text{ and } x = 0 \text{ or } x = \frac{1}{2} \text{ or } x = -\frac{1}{2}$$

$$\text{at } (0, 0):$$

$$D = 6(-2) < 0 \quad \text{so } (0, 0, 0) \text{ is a saddle pt}$$

$$\text{at } (\frac{1}{2}, 0)$$

$$D = 6(4) > 0 \quad f_{xx} = 4 > 0 \quad \text{so } (\frac{1}{2}, 0, f(\frac{1}{2}, 0)) \text{ is a local min}$$

$$\text{at } (-\frac{1}{2}, 0)$$

$$D = 6(4) > 0 \quad f_{xx} = 4 > 0 \quad \text{so } (-\frac{1}{2}, 0, f(-\frac{1}{2}, 0)) \text{ is a local min}$$